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RESIDENTIAL FIRE

2777 Sonora Drive (*The Hamlets*)

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to an alarm of fire at 2777 Sonora Drive, Friday, December 17, 2021 at 9:56 p.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke visible from the two-story wood-frame apartments. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Fourteen (14) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately thirty-nine (39) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Acting Battalion Chief W. Rhodes was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 10:09 p.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.

It has been determined that the residence **did have** a working smoke alarm. One unit sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$15,000.00 structure and \$2,500.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be food left unattended on the stove in the kitchen. Red Cross provided assistance for two adults.

The Memphis Fire Department recommends that all citizens maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check alarms monthly and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** by calling the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650 or apply on-line at: https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY issues please dial (901) 458-8281.

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